

# FAST FACTS

*A message for health care providers*

## Adult Immunization Update

For most routinely recommended vaccines **Adult coverage remains low** and well below Healthy People 2020 targets. Source: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6104a2.htm>

### Billing for Adult Immunizations

- Be sure to bill and code for the vaccine and the administration.

### Interventions to Increase Vaccine Uptake

- **A health-care provider's strong recommendation** is associated with increased vaccines uptake .  
Source: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6138a2.htm>
- **New York State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS) utilization** - confidential, computerized database that electronically documents administered immunization doses
- **Provider Assessment & Feedback** - involves retrospectively evaluating the performance of providers in delivering one or more vaccinations to a client population
- **Provider Reminders** - interventions used that remind providers which patients are due for specific vaccinations.
- **Use of Standing Orders** for vaccine administration
- **Schedule the next appointment** for follow up vaccine before the patient leaves the office.
- **Send out a reminder notice** for due and past due immunizations.
- **Post the most current CDC immunization schedule** in all exam rooms.
- Administer all immunizations according to the **Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended schedule**.

### Resources

- ACIP recommended adult immunization schedule <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/adult.html>
- CDC Adult Vaccines <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults/index.html>
- NYSIIS [www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/immunization/information\\_system](http://www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/immunization/information_system)
- Vaccine Information Statements [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm)
- General vaccine info [www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)
- NYSDOH Vaccine info for providers [www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization/providers](http://www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization/providers)
- NYSDOH Immunization Program 716-847-4385 [www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization](http://www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization)
- ECDOH Immunization Program 716-858-2373 [www.erie.gov/health/services/immunization.asp](http://www.erie.gov/health/services/immunization.asp)
- Reminder Systems & Strategies for Increasing Vaccination Rates  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/reminder-sys.htm> and <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/rate-strategies/adultstrat.htm>